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### This Week's Motto:

Before you call someone an insect, consider that you may be the one to get swatted.

## Violence at Home

Violence and threats of more violence the world over should not blind us to the gravity of our own, purely domestic violence problem.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover reports that serious crime reached a new all-time high last year (including that in the city of Torrance), with an astounding 98 per cent increase over 1950. The population increase was only 18 per cent during the decade.

Throughout 1960, there was a murder every 58 minutes, a forcible rape every 34 minutes, and an aggravated assault every four minutes.

Crimes against property, too, occurred much more frequently.

The juvenile crime problem continues to get worse. Arrests of juveniles have more than doubled since 1950, while the population of youths aged 10 to 17 increased by less than one half.

Even as we must be ready to protect ourselves from enemies abroad, we must do a much more effective job of dealing with society's enemies at home.

And, it's not a matter for police alone. It is a load that must be borne by parents, schools, churches, and other groups within our society. In the final analysis, it's you and I.

## Something New in Ads

Advertisements prepared by Mobil Oil Co. won a George Washington Honor Medal from the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge recently. The ads in question weren't designed to sell a product, they are part of a community relations program being conducted by the company's refineries. They appear originally in local newspapers.

One, for instance, which appeared in the HERALD recently, showed pictures of President Jim Becker and representatives of the Torrance Dental Health Assn. and described the local program to aid students in Torrance schools who needed dental care. Others appearing in other cities touched on local subjects, complimenting volunteers and salaried officials who apply time and talent to their community.

The Freedoms Foundation chose these advertisements for high honors on the grounds that they helped to "bring about a better understanding of the American Way of Life."

That understanding is vital to every business and industry, as well as to every individual. The whole future of this country depends upon it.

It would be good indeed if more and more businesses would devote a part of their advertising dollars to fostering industry-community relations and the preservation of our freedoms.

## Have a Fire Plan

Fire killed more than 6000 people in their homes last year, according to National Fire Protection Assn. estimates.

Yet, the great majority of these lives could have been saved, the international fire safety organization says, if families had planned ahead for fire emergencies.

Rid your home of fire hazards. But, above all, be ready if fire strikes.

Have a carefully thought out escape plan, with at least two escape routes from every room in the house. Rehearse it regularly and be sure to include the children in your family fire drill.

Remember that closed bedroom doors at night can hold back fire, allowing precious extra minutes for escape when halls and stairways are blocked by flame or smoke.

Know these basic fire emergency rules:

- Clear everybody out of the house—fast.
- Then quickly call the fire department. Within the city of Torrance, the number is FA 8-3131.
- If you call the operator, be sure to tell her exactly where you live—if it's Torrance, Lomita, Shoestring Strip, etc.

**STAR GAZER**  
By CLAY R. POLLAN  
Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars  
To develop message for Sunday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

<b>ARIES</b> MAR. 21-20	1 Don't	31 It's	61 Gaily
<b>Taurus</b> APR. 21-19	2 Not	32 Flows	62 Bole
<b>Gemini</b> MAY 21-20	3 Cheer	33 Pleas'd	63 For
<b>Cancer</b> JUN. 21-20	4 Be	34 A	64 Throug'
<b>Leo</b> JUL. 21-20	5 Friends	35 Your	65 So
<b>Virgo</b> AUG. 21-20	6 Reval	36 With	66 Plans
<b>Libra</b> SEPT. 21-20	7 Re	37 Ege	67 You
<b>Scorpio</b> OCT. 21-19	8 A	38 You'll	68 Jewels
<b>Sagittarius</b> NOV. 21-20	9 A	39 Bright	69 Be
<b>Capricorn</b> DEC. 21-20	10 Un	40 Be	70 On
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<b>Oct 21-20</b>	20 You'll	50 Come	80 Money
<b>Nov 21-20</b>	21 Confid	51 Sour	81 Be
<b>Dec 21-20</b>	22 Appor	52 Careful	82 Chances
<b>Jan 21-20</b>	23 You	53 Today	83 Independ
<b>Feb 21-20</b>	24 Expectat	54 Make	84 Right
<b>Mar 21-20</b>	25 Be	55 Big	85 Flyin'
<b>Apr 21-20</b>	26 Money	56 Happy	86 Happ
<b>May 21-20</b>	27 Woul	57 Wisly	87 Discus
<b>Jun 21-20</b>	28 Good	58 Be	88 Color
<b>Jul 21-20</b>	29 And	59 Kin	89 One
<b>Aug 21-20</b>	30 Prospects	60 You	90 Set

Good Adverse Neutral



## England's Reaction to Common Market Watched

By KING WILLIAMS

The remarkable ability of the English to face and conquer most any type of national crisis is being put to the test again. This time they are asked to adapt themselves to a rugged program of austerity at the peak of one of the most prosperous booms in recent history.

How they react and how successful their leaders are in bracing them for the hurricane winds of competition, whipped up by the European Common Market and other international trade pressures, will have an important bearing on the future of the Free world and particularly the United States.

For, and make no mistake about this, England is America's Number 1 and most reliable ally in a world which not only does not speak our language but knows little of or can not comprehend Anglo-American ethics and standards.

Any American has the right to like and dislike whomever he will; he does not have the right to hold a prejudice that can be proved to be based on ignorance and ignorance alone. And this goes for an illiterate segment of the English population who dislike Americans in the same abysmal way.

During a visit to London in June, the newspapers filled with debate over England's proposed entrance into the Common Market. The growth of the ECM has been of particular interest because we were privileged to be a member of a newspaper group in Belgium that made a study of the market just before it became an actuality in the fall of 1958. The thoroughness of the organization work was so impressive that it provoked many of us to conclude that here was something that not only has every prospect of succeeding but also posed a threat to the entire world of international trade.

Its strength lay not only in trade and tariff agreements but in its political implications.

At that time, England's answer was thought to be a free trade alliance with no political hookups. England's industrial know how was bringing remarkable recovery from the war and her automobile and aircraft businesses were enjoying peak prosperity. The ECM threat seemed remote until the remarkable development of West Germany under a free enterprise system—more free by far than America's—began operating in high gear. The rest is history with the Federal Republic of Germany now the wealthiest nation in the world from the standpoint of liquidity.

Americans would be to be moan the use of their money in setting up competition to themselves. The long view dictates that we must accept the unhappy situation as one more effort of the communist threat that necessitated our bolstering the economic recovery of Europe to avoid civil strife that might have led to the disappearance of freedom all over Europe.

In taking the materialistic view, we accepted the lesser of two threats to our freedoms, something that can not be calculated in dollars and cents; nevertheless, Europe's recovery already has cost the American taxpayers some \$12 billions.

Now we can cry in the beer imported from Denmark, Holland, and Germany or we can rejoice that we still have a freedom force in Europe that can be a tower of strength in the critical years ahead. And we can expect England to be there when she's needed.

We were in London during President and Mrs. Kennedy's visit to participate in Christening ceremonies for their nephew. They were given a tremendous reception and, in commenting on the welcome, a London columnist wrote: "Whatever the cynics and skeptics, the moaners and the groaners may say, there is a little something about this Anglo-American relationship that others haven't got."

"We all know the saloon-bar statesman whose resentment of U.S. power is expressed in endless recriminations against 'the Yanks.' His counterpart across the Atlantic is the American who says nothing good about 'the Limeys.'"

"But the Yanks and the Limeys get along extremely well together. They understand one another not only because they speak the same language but because they speak the same language."

In other words, as President Kennedy himself said yesterday, the two nations believe in the same principles and those things do not have to be explained between them. Friendship and alliance could ask little more.

"One has only to imagine what could happen if this affinity did not exist—if there were separation and hostility between the U.S. and the U.K. We would not give much for the free world's chances for survival."

"Of course there are misunderstandings and quarrels. But close friends can afford to be franker than mere acquaintances."

"The Americans should not take the 'Go home Yanks' freaks and anti-Polaris fanatics too seriously. They grow as rich a crop of cranks as we do. Some came to London

this last weekend on a march to Moscow.

"It is better for us all to reflect that Britain and America between them have taken the initiative to promote peace throughout the post-war years."

"So long as this identity of spirit and purpose continues—as it must—so long is there hope of an escape from the grievous problems of our time."

"The British and Americans sometimes get on one another's nerves. They dislike or snigger at certain habits, customs, and funny little ways. But as the American Alice Duer Miller wrote, during a visit to this country: 'I am American bred, I have seen much to hate here, much to forgive, but in a world where England is finished and dead, I do not wish to live. It is a sentiment we fervently reciprocate.'"

## AFTER HOURS By John Morley

# Growth of German Power Seen as Threat to Reds

Our first news beat abroad was to Berlin in 1931. We have been eye-witness to the German question ever since with a dozen fact-finding trips to Berlin just in the past few years.

During this same period we have considered the German question from our observations in Moscow and other capitals behind the iron curtain. Our conclusions are based on facts, without political expediency or popular misconceptions.

First we consider President Kennedy's decision to fight for our rights in West Berlin as the first positive step in US foreign policy since President Eisenhower ordered Marines to land in Lebanon and saved it from Communist takeover.

However, Secretary of State Dean Rusk's more recent statement in his press conference that "Berlin was negotiable with Khrushchev" was an unfortunate contradiction and voided much of the confidence that the President displayed on his uncompromising stand on Berlin.

Secretary Rusk's subsequent remark that "Russia's concern about German militarism is unreal" is as untrue as it is unrealistic.

Mr. Rusk has nullified much of the President's strong stand and created new doubts as to his understanding of Germany, unless we assume that his remark was meant only as a diplomatic gesture.

Our experience in Germany

over a period of 30 years, before and after Hitler, brings us to one inescapable conclusion: that Germany will try to the bitter end to wipe out her humiliating defeat in World War II just as she tried to wipe out the defeat of World War I.

In spite of fantastic destruction, occupation and devastation in the past 16 years, Germany has already become once again the dominant power in Europe. The next 16 years could well see Germany so prepared with nuclear-neutron bombs as to become another nightmare to the millions behind the iron curtain.

It is in the nature and in the germ-cell of the German mind to dominate, drawing almost inexhaustibly from an inherent capacity of genius' invention and will. Germany will be united in one way or another; and when this occurs, she will once again try to change the face of Europe.

We know this... and Russia knows it. But since our enemy and Germany's is Communism, it is to our advantage to assist in the build-up of Germany.

In 1939 Germany was the most dangerous enemy—so we thought—so by 1941 we joined Communism to defeat her. Which proves there is no such thing among nations as permanent friends or permanent enemies, just permanent interests.

Germany destroyed three-fourths of the most populated areas of Russia in World War II along with 18 million dead. Every nation from Norway to

Greece occupied by Germany that we cover is afraid of Germany military revival.

It was this common fear of Germany which drove the eastern nations to Russia, more than the threat of the Russian army. Real or imaginary fears of Germany today among the satellites prevent revolt against Communist oppression.

Soviet fear of Germany is not without foundation. We must not act surprised at Soviet concern over Germany nor by Khrushchev's effort to neutralize German power by a peace treaty favorable to Communism. After all, we must remember that Russia did lose more than all the allies combined at the hands of Germany in World War II.

While we must oppose Soviet unilateral action and violation of existing treaties over Berlin and West Germany, we must recognize the legitimate fears of Russia over the growth of West Germany.

To say that Germany is not a threat to Russia, as Secretary Rusk stated, is not convincing to either the Russians or most anybody else.

However, to state that we will see it that Germany will not become a threat to Russia appears to us to be a better negotiating factor on the Berlin and German question.

To unite behind President Kennedy's plan of strengthening our military posture is to defend our position on Berlin with the authority Russians respect.

## Secrecy Grows at Upper Levels of U.S. Bureaus

By JAMES DORAIS

Thanks to a continuing campaign by California newspapers, secret meetings by local and state governmental bodies—formerly run of the mill procedure—are in most cases now illegal.

Charged with violation of a state anti-secrecy statute, the Governor of Nevada recently made startling news by getting himself arrested.

But ironically, at the same time that great progress has been made in insuring the conduct of government business in a goldfish bowl atmosphere at the state level, the

federal government is permitted to conduct the people's affair in even greater secrecy.

In a recent address, V. M. Newton Jr., editor of the Tampa Tribune, one of the nation's most active fighters against secrecy in government, points out that no audited reports of the expenditure of the citizens' tax funds are available to anyone. In most cases, all of the information the nation's press and even Congress can obtain from the executive branch of the Federal government on

any subject comes from the press handouts of approximately 50,000 Federal press agents.

According to Newton's analysis, secrecy in the Federal government, which has been building up during the New Deal and World War II years, became a matter of serious Congressional concern during the Truman Administration, when by White House executive order, every Federal bureaucrat was granted the right to censor information under the stamp of security.

Thus, the Department of Labor, for "security" reasons, refused to reveal details of the Armed Services' purchase of peanut butter. From such data, the Department claimed, an enemy could figure out the approximate number of men in our armed services, although at the same time, anyone could obtain mimeographed sheets giving the exact number of men in the Army, Navy and Air Force from the Department of Defense.

Security censorship was eased during the Eisenhower Administration, but a new gimmick was introduced by executive agencies to take its place: a long forgotten statute pertaining to the custody of records. Congress, in 1958 amended the statute by stipulating it could not be used as a subterfuge for censorship. But to no avail.

Shortly after Congress had acted, Attorney General William P. Rogers introduced a new "doctrine of executive privilege" which argued that the executive branch is withholding any information it chooses from the people, Congress, and the press.

Under this new doctrine, the Navy has withheld information on its Military Sea Transportation Service—and the Air Force on its missile program—from the General Accounting Office; the Space Administration has refused Congress information on its space program and rocket contracts; and the International Cooperative Administration has refused to divulge information to Congress on the nation's foreign aid program.

In the meantime, three members of a local school board better not be caught lurching together, if they know what's good for them.

## Out of the Past

From the Files of the HERALD

### 30 Years Ago

The HERALD's files of Aug. 13, 1931 carried a front page story in which city officials expressed dismay that the annexation of North Lomita to Torrance was not proving to be a financial asset to the city.

"Why, it will cost \$100 more than that district will bring in in taxes to merely

maintain the streets lights and hydrants for 1931-32," Mayor John Dennis complained.

Without discussion of the proposal, the Board of Education referred the resolution of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, that all teachers and school employees here reside in Torrance during their term of employment in local schools, to its Teachers and School Committee last week.

### Mailbox

Editor, Torrance Herald

In the cities of southern California, especially Long Beach, Lakewood, and Torrance, and in many areas of Los Angeles, there are miles of concrete lined flood control channels. We, the people, of these cities could have very adequate bomb shelters if these flood control channels were covered with a concrete reinforced slab and then covered with earth.

Entry and ventilation of these channels could be achieved by the use of steel grids for entry of flood waters during rainy season of the year.

These flood control channels could be adapted to this purpose very economically in contrast to what it would cost to build public shelters. Another aspect of this suggestion is that it would be to open up the use of many acres of land, which is now wasted as the right of way of these channels, to commercial use.

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tal donation from local merchants and additional gifts, have raised the total amount collected for the USO to \$1048, Dean Sears, chairman, reports.

A Redondo Beach woman and her son were charged with destruction of city property when they were discovered digging up shrubbery planted between sidewalks in Hollywood Riviera. Their excuse? They had just completed a new home and were doing some planting. They were fined \$5.

Tax deeded lots brought as little as \$175 at a public auction sale. Of 15 lots sold the city netted a profit of a little more than \$5, it was estimated.

The Rotary club was engaged in a campaign to raise funds for prisoner of war cartons to be sent to Allied prisoners confined in German camps. A contribution of \$2.67 sent the club paid for a carton filled with foods rich in vitamins, according to B. C. Buxton, president of the Torrance club.

Boy Scouts of Torrance were busily engaged in paper and aluminum scrap campaigns to aid the national defense effort... the Torrance Municipal Band was authorized to appear at the Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona... avid local deer hunters were looking forward to a record season... Dr. R. A. Bingham was vacationing in the High Sierras and there was another draft call... Back in 1941.

WPA authorities in Washington have approved a project for the improvement of Torrance Blvd. from Sartori to Fern, according to a report made to the City Council by Glenn Jain, city engineer.

Two large contributions together with a supplement